

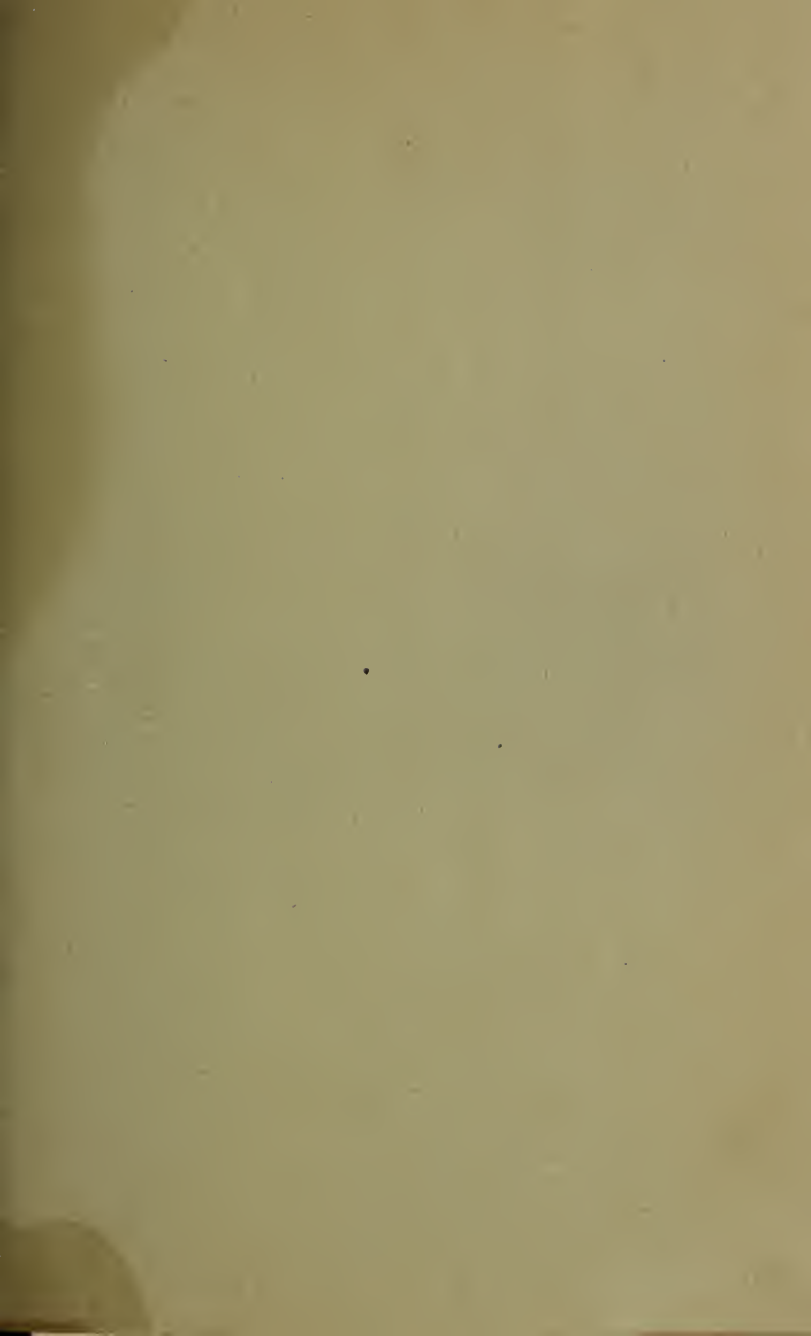




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WE have celebrated our nineteenth birthday, an account of which will be found in these pages, and as our twentieth year has begun with many peculiar blessings in foreign lands, we ask our friends to make an especial plea for our courage and faith. "Not by might nor power, but by my Spirit," saith the Lord of Hosts.

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FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

**INDIA—Calcutta.**

*Letters from* MISS MARSTON.

SOLEMN RESPONSIBILITY.

On my return to my work from my last vacation, I visited my zenanas with an anxious heart, lest death had been busy among my pupils. My fears proved true in one case, for I learned that one of my favorite scholars had died only a few days before. I went directly to the house, and oh! how sad it seemed to look at the deserted place where I had so often

seen my bright-faced Bo, and where she so eagerly listened to all I had to tell. On the floor sat the poor mother rocking back and forth, moaning in her grief, while the poor husband stood near, silent in sorrow. The Bo had been one of whom I was especially fond, and for whose conversion I had strong hopes. I can but feel now that she had received the truth sufficiently to make her one of the Saviour's chosen. One of our native teachers visited her only a few days before she was taken ill, and they talked a long time of the story of salvation, which the Bo said she *believed*. I felt comforted to remember the infinite love of Jesus ; His tender compassion for all who reach out after Him, however feebly.

One Babu, whose wife I teach, is very grateful for every effort made for the spiritual elevation of his people, and so anxious to know the truth. If he is not already a Christian, I believe the time is not far distant when he will become one, and the conversion of his wife is what he most earnestly longs for.

It was very pleasant to receive the warm welcome of my pupils, and especially does it cheer me to notice the growing interest among them in the study of the Bible lessons. One woman was greatly touched this week in reading the story of Mary sitting at the Master's feet, washing them with her tears, and wiping them with the hair of her head. She said, "How she *must* have loved Him !" I asked her if she knew why she loved Him so, when she looked up with a bright face and said, "Yes, because He had forgiven her sins." I pressed the lesson home upon her, and trust that God will grant that it may not be lost.

#### PLEASANT SURPRISE.

The boxes which were sent by kind friends from America, rejoiced our eyes and our hearts with the abundant supply of gifts for the teachers and children. The dolls especially, of which there were nearly 500, were a great boon, as our little ones are looking eagerly for prizes at Christmas, and we really have not the time to prepare something for each

one. The sheets and pillow-cases, towels and quilts and underclothing, all so neatly made, and the very pretty dresses, were especially acceptable. Many of our teachers and older girls will, without doubt, write for themselves their thanks to you all, but we would ask you to convey *our* thanks to the kind donors for so generously remembering the needs of our mission at this season. The texts of Scripture sewn on each article will prove, I trust, to many a word spoken in due season. Our Father, who is not unmindful of the cup of cold water given in His name, will abundantly bless to both giver and receiver every work of love done for Him. The box containing a little memento for each of our own household, had no name upon it. I must ask you to thank the kind donor in my name for the very pretty black lace scarf which fell to my share.

## VISIT TO RANGOON.

I wish you might all participate in the novel scene of our Christmas gathering, but since you cannot, I will tell you what passed this season. Our work closed a month later this season, as the Doorga Poojah holidays, which regulate our vacation, began later. I visited during the vacation Rangoon, a city wholly unlike Calcutta, both in the construction of the houses and in its natural adornments. The long avenue of trees, with grass growing in the streets, gives it the appearance of a country town. The houses are like Swiss villas, built on piles several feet above the ground to prevent the invasion of white ants. The great object of interest to the natives is the great Pagoda, which stands on a hill on the outskirts of the city. It was built more than three hundred years before Christ, and is of enormous height, 372 feet, two feet higher than St. Paul's in London. More than a hundred years ago one of the Birman emperors added an umbrella to the top and had the whole structure gilded, so that it can be seen many miles distant sparkling in the sunlight. The gilding is now renewed by the devotees, who purchase, as their means allow, small or large quantities of the gold leaf, and paste it on the building as an

offering to Gaudama, the present impersonation of the Burmese god. It was a very picturesque crowd which preceded me the morning of my visit to the Pagoda. The men with their gay turbans and many colored robes, and the very pretty women in silk skirts of every imaginable color, with white jackets and bright colored handkerchiefs worn over their shoulders, made the scene a very brilliant one, but the wretched display of senseless idolatry and superstition, the filthy condition of the priests and nuns sitting by the roadside mumbling meaningless prayers to an unknown god, made us turn from the whole scene sick at heart, and long for the time when the King of Righteousness shall come with healing for the nations.

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*Letters from MISS CADDY.*

ENCOURAGEMENTS.

In the place of some pupils who had left for a short time, I opened a new house where one wanted to learn with us. Several came to see me, and one girl said in an undertone to another, "If only the 'Mem' would teach me for eight annas I think I could get it together; my brother would give four, and if I saved what I got for sweetmeats it would come to about two, and the other two I would get in some way or other." I found on inquiry that this girl's father was dead, so I told her that I would teach her. She was delighted, and began at once to learn. Another girl followed her example, and it was most touching to have a poor old woman, perfectly grey, come with her book to learn the alphabet. Four now are learning in this house. The most satisfactory part of my work is not in teaching these four, but in reading and talking and singing to a large number of girls, women and boys, who come after the lessons. They collect from the neighboring houses, being related to each other. The hymns are what touch them more quickly than anything else, for I am sure that the blessed Spirit is with us. They are often moved to tears when they hear of God's love to us. They have learned to love these seasons. Visitors



are detained two and three days longer than they had expected to stay, to "hear about God and to hear the singing." It is to me a time of great refreshing and sincere joy.

One day when I was reading in the house of two of our scholars the elder looked up in my face and said, "Mem, *are* we saved when we believe in Jesus!" While I hesitated a moment, fearing to crush weak faith, or to say "peace" when there was no peace, a little scholar spoke up: "Sister, that is not a question for the 'Mem' to answer. God alone knows your heart, and He knows whether you have the true faith or not." Surely this wisdom came to the little one from above. Her heart seems drawn with wonderful power to the things of God, and she lets her light shine fearlessly. They told me she had adopted the plan of retiring three times a day to pray, and invited her companions to join her. The head Babu in the house was trying to coax and frighten his half-idiot daughter to apply herself to study. The little one earnestly remonstrated with him for saying what was not true, telling him that God would be displeased with him. A servant in the same house was taken ill, and my little pupil spoke to her of the love of Jesus in dying for us, and told her to ask God in Jesus' name to make her well.

To our great regret this little one and her family have removed to a distance. Our parting was a sad yet comforting season, and my heart was strengthened by the little one's faith. God keep this precious lamb pure for Himself among her heathen surroundings.

#### STRANGE SIGHTS

During the Doorga holidays some of us spent the vacation in Bangalore, going by a coasting steamer in order to get a longer sea voyage. It was interesting to touch at the different seaports and notice the features of the country, and the condition of the natives. Of course we could not judge a great deal of the latter, except from the boatmen who crowded to the side of the vessel, but it seemed fearfully degraded. They

were scarcely human, so entirely different from the natives of Bengal and North India.

We learned something of the condition of those who live further inland, from a nun who came on board at Gopalpore. The Roman Catholics have a station far inland called "Surada." Here, during one of those terrible famines, when hundreds of children are left orphans, they collected a number and established a large orphanage for boys and girls. A priest and two nuns are in charge. The place is isolated and extremely unhealthy. They are two weeks' journey by bullock-cart from the nearest European station. The elder nun in charge has lived there twelve years, but all who have tried to assist her have either died or been obliged to leave on account of their health. Our friend had been very ill. She was a Swiss, and I could not help feeling sorry for her away from home and country. The people are extremely ignorant, superstitious and improvident. She said they had to teach them how to sow and plant their crops, and after the harvest the priests took half the produce to put away for later in the season, as the poor people had no idea beyond the present necessity. They would eat it all in a few weeks, she said, and starve the rest of the time.

In this way these people are getting entirely into the hands of the priests, and although one is glad to hear of any good being done among them, yet when we see the spiritual and temporal bondage of the people in Roman Catholic countries, we cannot but feel doubtful for their future.

It was amusing to watch the natives in their boats. Those that came for cargo were pretty large, but the smaller craft, called "catamarans," were simply three or four slender logs *tied* in the form of a shallow boat. They can never sink. The water washes over them all the time, but the wonder is that any living thing can stick on to them. I saw one man stand and support a sail in a strong wind, while his companion paddled away. These "catamarans" are about five feet long and one and a half wide.

The railway journey from Madras to Bangalore was very enjoyable. The country is hilly and very pretty. The situation

of Bangalore is beautiful, but it is rather a straggling place. Last evening we attended the monthly Missionary Conference, and were pleasantly surprised to see the number of missionaries who were present. Missionaries everywhere seem more stirred up about adopting ways and means for reaching the natives, that may be more successful than those already tried. Within the last month lectures on the chief events in the life of Christ have been tried, and those engaged in this work reported a large and interesting attendance. Large well-conducted schools for girls are held in the native city. There are good boy's schools also. In almost all stations there is a population of poor Europeans and Eurasians who are much neglected. The American Methodist Missionaries are doing a good work among this class of people. And it is a most important work for India, for as they become converted, their example and teaching must greatly influence the natives in favor of Christianity.

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*Letter from MISS RODERICK.*

One pupil I visit is different from most girls of her age in lacking the timidity and gentleness which are the usual characteristics of those whose lives are spent within the Zenana. Her husband, an intelligent Babu, has come on a visit to her parents, and he is very anxious to have his wife taught the Bible, although her people are very much averse to it, and do all they can to prevent her studying it by hiding her book. He once suggested that I should teach her the Scriptures only, but as she could not read well, I have given her the usual course of studies. Her husband teaches her daily and she is improving very fast.

It is becoming popular to have educated wives, and many of the native families send their children to our schools, because the educated girls are married sooner than those who are not.

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**INDIA—Allahabad.***Letter from MISS LATHROP.**(Communicated by the Philadelphia Branch.)*

## THE BY-WAYS.

I called a few days since at a house where a zenana woman wished to open a little school, and herself and sister wished to be taught. I found that I was in a neighborhood where I had not been for three years. It is a lonely spot in the suburbs of the city. The ground, instead of being like most of the country about us, a dead level, is slightly rolling, and on the low hills, surrounded by fine mango trees, rise numbers of Hindoo temples. They are well kept, and are visited by multitudes of people. The worshippers are clothed in white, some in scarlet, others in dark blue, many of them carrying bright brass trays with flowers, fruit and other offerings, and cups filled with Ganges water, to be carefully poured over the idols from the small brass ladles accompanying the cups. Some were walking singly with bent heads, muttering prayers; others in groups, gaily chatting. A few lifted their heads and gave me a pleasant salutation. Turning off the broad street I soon came to a narrow foot-path leading in among mud huts. A short walk up a steep path brought me to the house I sought. Numbers of half-naked children crowded around the door, peeping at me. It is not often a white face is seen there. The woman had gathered eight little Hindustani girls who wished to learn. There were many more standing about, but for various reasons they could not be persuaded to learn. Most of them were children of the very poor, and either went out to work themselves or cared for younger brothers or sisters. The lower classes of women work in the fields or in bearing burdens' quite as much as the men do. Not infrequently the poor little ones are drugged with opium to keep them still while the mother is at work. It is easy to distinguish one habitually treated in this way by the wild, haggard look of its skeleton face. Happy fate when such a one fails to grow up, as it is sure to be a wreck both in mind and body. \* \* \*

The woman I visited before in this neighborhood was a very intelligent person, who, almost unaided, had learned to read. When she asked to be taught by us, it was that she might learn more about the Bible and the Christian religion, a little about which she had learned from an uncle. He was a student in a mission school, and had left home while still a young man, and she believed he had become a Christian. Her interest grew from week to week. My disappointment was great when I went as usual one day, and heard on all sides that she had gone away, none knew where. Her husband had incurred debt, or done some dishonest thing for which he feared punishment, and so had left taking his family. I often give a lesson without the least idea of its being the last opportunity of speaking. The woman took with her the Bible we read together.

Since the rains began, and it is a little cooler, our work has increased. It is only a few years since our work here was confined almost entirely to the Bengalis, who are counted as foreigners in the northwest, but now the calls to the natives of these parts—the Mahomedan and Hindi speaking people—are becoming frequent. The Bengalis are more ready to receive education, but show no greater willingness to forsake the superstitions of their forefathers, and perhaps have less courage in acknowledging Christianity when convinced of the truth, than the hardier races of other parts of the country.

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*Letter from MISS WARD.*

JOURNEY CLOSED.

Since last writing to you the long distance between India and America has been passed over, and once more I am in this land, "where every prospect pleases, and only man is vile." God's kind care has been over us. He has indeed made the "rough places plain" for us. The captain of the steamer on which we sailed from Genoa to Bombay, said he had never known a better voyage. We landed in Bombay on the eigh-

teenth, and enjoyed the day there very much. Bombay is a strange city. Nearly every nation is there represented. While the houses are built somewhat after Indian style, they still have a European look. The streets are broad and macadamized. Here and there you see the horse-cars running, and they are filled with motley groups. The Parsee, with his peculiar straight hat, is quite conspicuous. These Parsees are fire worshippers. In the suburbs of Bombay there are nine "Bowers of Silence," where they leave the bodies of their dead. On the towers, about fifteen feet from the ground, is a framework on which the dead body is laid, and exposed to the sun's rays. Vultures soon tear off the flesh, and the bones drop into a vault below. Cremation is preferable to this. We left Bombay the evening of the eighteenth. During the night we passed over the Western Ghats, and as it was bright moonlight we caught many glimpses of fine scenery.

#### HOME COMING.

The next day found us in the plains of India, and one more night's ride in the cars brought us to Allahabad. Miss Lathrop with the other ladies met us at the depot, and I felt at home. It was good to see the dear faces, and receive the warm welcome. As we rode to the house everything had such a familiar look it hardly seemed possible I had been away so long, and now my pleasant visit home is more like a dream than a reality. Our "Home," with its neat airy rooms, proved indeed a haven of rest. Jennie McGrau, Lizzie Smith and Helen Neff, the pupil-teachers, who used to be *my children* in the Orphanage, soon came in. They looked well and happy, and Miss Lathrop pronounced them all good teachers. It was indeed a pleasure to go home and see all the dear friends, but I am glad to be back and ready for work. I can hardly realize that I am the same person that used to be so weak. It now seems as though I could move mountains, and I rejoice in the added health and strength. After resting a few days we came on to Calcutta to attend our yearly Missionary Convention.

We have spent the greater part of three days in discussing ways and means. During the last day several interesting cases among the women were brought up, and if some of the American friends could have listened as one and another told of hopeful incidents, of some women who, amid all the hinderances, were trying to find the light; of some, who were almost persuaded; of the increase in pupils at schools, etc., etc., they would not have thought our labor was in vain.

Yesterday I had a pleasant little visit with the children at the Orphanage, and as I called for one and another, of those who were little ones when I had charge of the school some six years ago, instead of little ones, large girls with bright happy faces came forward. I was forcibly reminded that time made changes. Many of the larger girls have been married, and some have gone to the eternal home, where we all hope to gather soon. Dear friends, this is indeed a glorious work, and I thank God for the privilege of helping in it.

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#### REPORT FROM RAJPORE.

*By the Native Teacher.*

I have great pleasure in submitting the following report of the Rajpore Circle to the friends and supporters of the American Union Mission Society.

The circle under my supervision consists of ten schools, containing at present three hundred and twenty-two pupils, the majority of whom are Hindus of the higher classes of the population. In August, 1878, we began with three schools. In September of the same year three schools which had been abandoned were re-organized, and one new school was started. Three more have been opened since. In almost all the schools there are married women, widows and girls. Since women are not allowed to be taught by me, they are taught by my wife. Besides secular subjects which include prose, poetry, grammar,

geography and arithmetic, the pupils with a few exceptions study the first and second Catechism, and the "old, old story" with much attention, and it is gratifying to remark that they take great delight in answering the questions we put to them on religious subjects, and that the parents make no objection whatever to their children receiving Christian instruction. For this state of things all credit is due to my predecessors, who had to take great pains in preparing the field for me. As most of the pupils have not means enough to buy books, slates, and the materials for sewing and knitting, our Secretary, Miss Hook, kindly supplied them with these for which they are very thankful to her. The children are not allowed to learn like parrots, but are made to understand what they read. Irregularity in attendance, lying, swearing and using abusive language are not in the least tolerated. You will be glad to hear that at the last competitive examination appointed by the Hitakari Shabba, three of our pupils went up for competition, and that all of them have passed successfully, though one only has obtained a scholarship tenable for one year. It will not be out of place to mention here that Miss Caddy, Mrs. Bagley, and two other ladies have favored the school with their presence once a month.

We have ten teachers of whom all except three are females, and ten women to bring the girls to the schools and accompany them to their homes when the schools are over. All the teachers are Hindus, and are not thoroughly reliable. Since competent female teachers are not procurable, we try to make the best use of those we have. The only remedy for this is to appoint Christian teachers in their place, but at present there is no house here where we and other Christian teachers can live together. A proposal has therefore been made by the Secretary to build a house, which I hope will ere long be carried out.

The attendance and progress of the schools have not been very satisfactory, owing chiefly to the epidemical fever which has raged in this district for the last six or seven years, and also to the negligence and ignorance of the teachers as well as



to our not being able to reside in the locality. Thanks be to God, that in this trying season of the fever he has kept us and the teachers, and the pupils strong in health, and also that he has enabled us to get a small house here in which we have been living since November last.

I can not conclude this report better, than by mentioning the conversion of a Brahmin lad I went to visit out of my schools. The girls were being examined by Mrs. Bagley inside the house and I was sitting outside with a Bible in my hand. The Brahmin lad came to me and asked whether I were a convert to Christianity or born a Christian. I said I was a convert. Then suddenly he expressed his willingness to embrace Christianity. To test his knowledge of Scripture, I put some questions to him which he could not satisfactorily answer. Therefore I thought it best for him to live among Christians and receive Christian instruction for some time, and I told him to come up to Calcutta which he did most gladly. In Calcutta he had to pass through a severe ordeal which tested his sincerity. His father who is a well-known Sanscrit scholar, came to see him one day and tried to snatch him away, but failed. He was on trial for a month, during which he behaved himself well. He was baptized by a Bengali Minister of the Church of England. Miss Martin stood as his God-mother, and has been looking after and helping him since. Miss Heighton of the Zenana Mission Society, has liberally helped him since his baptism.

May the blessing of God come abundantly upon our work. May the time hasten when at least one of our many pupils come into the fold of Christ.

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**CHINA—Peking.***Letter from MISS COLBURN.*

Our day school opened September 10, 1879, with two pupils. The second day there were five, two more were soon added, making a regular attendance of seven. They come from our immediate neighborhood, well dressed and are from a better class than those in the boarding-school. They come at an early hour to the morning worship, and remain until one o'clock. A breakfast is given them on account of their late and irregular meals at home. On Sabbath they attend both the service and Sabbath school. You will be gratified to hear that Ruth, who has so long been one of your beneficiaries is their teacher. She is well fitted for her position and feels it a privilege to work for Jesus. We trust that the number of day scholars will increase and an influence extend around us. Our boarding-school numbers twenty-five at this time.

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*Letter from MISS KIRKBY.*

**A SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENT.**

October, 1879. Four months have already passed since I found my new home in Peking, and although I have had many thoughts of my old one, the time has passed rapidly. Since our Fall term of school commenced we started our day-school. A faithful Christian woman, who has been laboring for us some time, went to the neighbors around us. At some places she was warmly received, at others indifferently, and at others she was persecuted; but this treatment was only an incentive to her. She told us that her method was to stop at a gate and fall into conversation with the mother, grandmother, or whoever might be standing there, by asking if they were well, if they had eaten, and how many children they had. These polite questions answered, the woman in return would ask her where she was going. This would open the conversation, and in a few minutes she would have the plan of a day-school for

girls all laid before the parent, being careful to add, that the children would be given their morning meal. Even "respectable" Chinese families are not insensible to a good breakfast. The first morning that the school was opened two little girls appeared at half past seven. They were invited into morning prayers, and afterwards conducted by their teacher, who is a sweet Christian girl of sixteen, to their school-room, when she began to teach them to read. In a little while the woman had prepared their breakfast, and after their teacher had taught them a blessing, they sat down to their first school meal. At first they were almost too timid to eat much, but their appetites improved and now—well I have not heard lately how much they do eat, but as the odor of their rice cooking comes over to my door in the morning, I calculate that both their rice and their appetites are good.

In a few days they were joined by five more bright little girls, their ages varying from eight to fourteen. One of the older girls has already begun to read in worship, by studying the verse that is to come to her.

On Sundays they come just the same, and so are able to attend the morning service with the rest of the school, as also the Sunday-school. In Sunday-school they take great pleasure in learning the Golden Text, so that they can repeat it before the school, when Miss Burnett calls upon them.

I presume it would be comparatively easy to get scholars if we were to take any who might apply; but it is understood that missionaries will not take girls unless they come recommended by some one who is acquainted with the missionaries. In that way many cases of fraud are prevented. People who have worked among the poor at home, know how prone they are to make fair stories to get their bodies clothed. We have all those trials here in an exaggerated form.

Very nearly all of the girls who are in our boarding school are from very poor families, while those from our neighbors who come into the day-school are better off.

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**CHINA—Shanghai.**

*Letter from* MRS. E. H. THOMSON.

The Bible Reader supported by Mrs. Robert Townsend and friends, is very busy and useful at this sickly season in visiting all who need attention. She comes to me for medicines, which we keep weighed out ready for distribution. I enclose a translated letter from her.

*Letter from* MRS. TAY.

Although I am separated from you by thousands of miles, yet my heart is as it were in company with you. I cannot forget all your kindness (literally, warmth of heart), to me and others. At times when I am out speaking about the doctrine, I tell the women of your earnest zeal. The believers rejoice and thank the Lord, and strive to be more zealous themselves, The heathen cannot understand such grace. They say, "who among us Chinese will take of their goods to give to those of whom we know nothing?" I then take this, to show them that the love of God is greater than the love of man. When we began our work of teaching from house to house, at first it was very trying to enter the houses of strangers and begin to talk, but now our chief trial is that our bodies are weak, and regret that I cannot do more. Will you not my dear friends pray for me that the Lord may give me more strength and readiness to serve him? On Thursday of each week, we meet with Mrs. Thomson to study the Scriptures and other books. We are now in First Corinthians. After our lesson, Mrs. Thomson tells of foreign work, etc. She has told us how many persons in Christian lands deny themselves, such as eating no sugar for a certain time, and other things to save their money to send to China. She told us how some children split wood, and raise flowers and vegetables to sell, that they may send money to heathen lands. I store up these things to tell them to my little boy.

TAH-WUNG.

**JAPAN—Yokohama.***Letter from MISS FLETCHER.*

## SCENE AT THE CHURCH DOOR.

In Yokohama there are four churches, all of them built very much as they are in America. They look so natural that you wonder what those queer looking wooden things are over which you stumble in front of the door, and which are lying thick on the floor of the vestibule. By the use to which they are put, you soon find them to answer for shoes for the Japanese, though it is still a mystery as to how they walk with them. Some of them are only thin pieces of wood, the width and length of the foot, with straps running from the toe to each side of the heel, and supported on two narrow strips of wood, which raise them from the ground an inch and a half or two inches. Others are solid blocks of wood two inches or so in thickness, with a bit taken out under the instep, and from there shaved off to the toe for the express purpose one would think of causing the wearer to topple over head foremost. These are the out-of-door, wet-weather shoes; at other times a straw sandal is worn; but either kind are of necessity left at the door on entering a room, and the feet saved from bareness, by the "tabi" a sort of white cotton shoe, covering them to the ankle. The wooden shoe or "geta," and the "tabi" are worn alike by men, women and children. Having disposed of the obstructions in the way, we can now enter the church. Our girls and the Japanese part of the household attend the Native Union Church. It is a large, buff, brick and stuccoed building, situated near the place of landing from the steamers, in a busy part of the city. It was built by contribution, and the Sandwich Island Christians gave \$1,000 towards its construction, for their brethren in the Island Empire. The stained glass windows, the gift of a gentleman in America, are very handsome additions, and the whole edifice is very nicely furnished. The pastor of the church, Mr. Inagaki, and all the officers are native Christians, and there is a membership of 187, including seventeen baptized children, a great many of whom are scattered now in other parts

of the country. They have a good organ, on which I play for them generally; at other times one of the young girls from our school or that of the Dutch Reformed Mission leads in the music.

#### HELPERS.

Among the many who come with eager interest to Mrs. Pier-son's Bible class, are two old women, wrinkled and withered, and very feeble. In our country we should count them over 80, yet I doubt their being much over 50. "The grasshopper" soon "becomes a burden" in the land. Opposite to them sit two young men, Christians, one a protégé of Mr Ballagh, the other a faithful Bartimeus, who "has seen Jesus in the way," as the little girl saw, "with the eyes of her mind," though all other friends are hid from his vision. The blind are safe here, to go and come at all hours of the day and night, in city or country, and the shrill sound of their bamboo whistles is never disregarded, even in the crowded street, and this poor fellow takes many a long walk from the other side of the city to attend the meetings, where he can hear the Word of God read and explained.

O. Katsu-san has received two poor wanderers, seeking after the true Light, into her house, and these she instructs faithfully. She has herself been very ill, but in mind and heart is as active as ever, and as earnest in what she is still able to do for the Master as when she could go from house to house among her neighbors to tell them of her blessed hope for this life and for that to come, and urge them to partake of it with her. She refuses to receive money for her services, but a contribution from one of our Bands now reaches her in the shape of board for the young girls placed in her family.

#### DANCING LESSON.

Once I passed a house in a dirty narrow street, where we heard the sound of the samisen, the Japanese banjo. The front room was open as usual, and in it sat a woman on the mats, playing the instrument and singing, and on a slightly

raised part of the floor were three little girls about eight or ten, to whom she was giving instructions in dancing. This they did, scarcely moving out of a space of two feet each, with various twists and contortions of the body considered graceful in this country, and which are indeed made so by Japanese dancers. These little girls moved in perfect unison with each other, and I suppose with the sound of the instrument ; at different stages taking up the fan, a very necessary appendage for a dancer, and using it and the long sleeves of the dress, or a cloth which was now and then wound round the head in a fantastic manner, as so many steps in the performance. .Poor children ! their future as public dancing-girls is pitiable and wretched to say nothing worse. In a house just beyond we heard a family at prayer. What it meant exactly we could not tell, but a priest was present, as we could hear his drum beating to call attention from the god to their performance, and his voice came in from time to time, repeating in a peculiar tone the *Naimu Amida Butsu*, which the company were carrying along as fast as tongue could move and breath allow. Vain repetitions such as the heathen use are heard in almost all the houses in the lane. God grant they may soon be changed to the true spirit and form of prayer.

#### A GREAT TEMPLE.

I have lately been much struck with the forms of religious services, and the peculiar ritual belongings in the temples in different places that I have visited. As far as outside appearance and construction are considered, the temples of Shintooism and Buddhism, the two great systems of religion in the nation, are not essentially different ; but while one sect attracts attention by the number of deified beings represented to the eyes of a spectator, and the splendor of their surroundings in the great thoroughfares of worship, the other is rendered so much the more conspicuous by the utter absence of images and their attendant circumstances. Of the latter, I had an opportunity for observation in a visit to Tokio last spring, when I went to see the great Temple of Shokonsha, built by the Emperor and

dedicated to the departed spirits of those who were killed in the late war with the Shogun, and in the south with Saigo and his rebellious followers. The temple consists of a single large building containing one room, which, to foreign eyes, is furnished simply as a reception room, and yet here the head of the Shinto faith, the imperial Majesty of Japan, performs the rites of religion.

The floor is handsomely carpeted with Brussels, I think, and on the right and left are rows of chairs of handsome foreign make. At the opposite extremity from the entrance, which is closed to outsiders, is a dais, also carpeted, on which is a mirror, the only symbol of worship to be seen. Around the room are hung pictures of scenes in the war, and of the heroes of that and other periods in the history of the country. The ascent to the temple is by ten or twelve steps, and a narrow balcony runs the entire round of the room just described. The grounds are laid out with exquisite taste with flowers, shrubbery, cherry trees, fountains, and grottoes, in the last of which Japanese skill excels. The avenue leading up to the front of the temple is bordered on either side by hundreds, I should think, of the large stone lantern-posts to be used for purposes of illumination, and presenting a very imposing appearance as the spectator stands at the entrance looking up towards the temple.

The refined form of polytheism in the Shintoo worship, and the corresponding worship of ancestors in China, is the hardest phase of heathenism to meet, with the spiritual faith in the one God and His Son, Jesus Christ, and the Sanctifier, the Holy Ghost, and will doubtless exist when other superstitions have been given up by the lower classes in Japan. I do not think it is met with commonly,—the old faith of Buddha being too deeply rooted to yield to it in the minds of the people. As yet, I know of very little of either Shintooism or Buddhism, nor have the researches of scholars of any nation been able to throw much light that is satisfactory in regard to them.

In comparison, how much more divinely clear and pure is the knowledge to us of salvation.



# Home Department.

## 19TH ANNIVERSARY.

The 19th anniversary of the Society was held at the Bible House, Wednesday January 28th, at 2 P. M. The exercises were conducted by Rev. J. Howard Smith with graceful ability. After the reading of Scripture by Rev. W. Hepworth, of Newark, prayer preceded an abstract of the report, read by Rev. J. D. Herr. Before introducing Rev. Dr. Syle, from Japan, Mr. Howard Smith said, he would like to express his great pleasure in commending this union effort of Christian women, to extend the gospel throughout the world. He honored those who, though engaged in many works of usefulness at home, and in their own households, could still look across with affection and sympathy to those in distant lands, and seek to aid and enlighten them. He thought God had moved almost coeval with this work, in opening the world to the influence of the Gospel, and with all the encouragements they had received, he could only bid them God speed.

Dr. Syle gave a glowing description of what he had known of our society in its work in China, and especially Japan.

Since his eyes first lighted on the inscription in Yokohama, "God Bless our Home," he had known its inmates. The country of Japan he thought the most charming on the face of the earth; its climate salubrious, its people polite, gentle and agreeable. The "Mission Home" had been a great blessing to many outside of its legitimate work in the establishment of the Prayer Meeting, and the influence thus exerted. He had also been much gratified in attending the examinations of the school, and surprised at the intelligence displayed by these young Japanese girls, especially in the recitations from Bishop McIlvaine's evidences of Christianity.

He thought our missionaries indefatigable in their labors abroad, as well as at home, for even when absent to invigorate their health, they were still active in laboring for souls, gathering the women about them, talking and praying with them. Now their hearts were saddened, and why? These women too wanted teachers sent to them, and there were none to send, because the Society at home is restricted in its funds. For many years Government had been opposed to the introduction of Christianity, now Christians had but to go forward and reap an abundant harvest. Professor Crosby, the father of our devoted superintendent in Japan, having been prevented by illness from being present, Rev. J. C. Matlack, of Philadelphia, kindly supplied his place, and made a stirring appeal for the strengthening and enlarging of the work. The statement that \$5,000 of the reserved fund had been used in defraying the current expenses of the year, had touched him deeply. He felt that it ought to be repayed at once, and was willing to be one of fifty to make up the amount. As a thank-offering to God for renewed prosperity to our land, let each one ask, What can I do more this year than last, in gratitude to God for His many blessings?

A telegram was received from the Woman's Board of the Interior in Chicago containing the greeting, Corinthians ii, chap. xiii, verse 14. The Woman's Baptist Missionary Society and other societies extended cordial greetings also.

Many kind notes were received from our auxiliaries who were prevented from attendance, expressing most kind interest and affectionate remembrance of this meeting at the Throne of Grace.

J. A.

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A FRIEND in Columbus, O., has asked us to devote a page of the LINK to the accounts from our Mission bands of the way, in which their interest is sustained, and how money is raised. We select for this purpose some of the many letters sent us at this time, and would be glad to receive any hints from our various friends. One writes :

“ The work of the last season was very pleasantly brought to a close in the PLYMOUTH BAND, Brooklyn, by a ‘ lunch party,’ at the house of its superintendent, Mrs. J. B. Hutchinson, on May 8th.

“ The weather and the location made all delightful. St. Mark’s Place, in which the houses are surrounded with extensive grounds, at that season of the year, was in its spring glory, radiant with flowering shrubs and fresh foliage. This made it unusually pleasant without, while the perfect cordiality and grace of the hostess and her family made it no less so within.

“ The ladies assembled at noon, and the early part of the time was occupied in furnishing some pieces of work which had been ordered of the ‘Band,’ and in listening to the interesting accounts which were given by Mrs. Culbertson of her missionary life in China. After ‘lunch,’ at which the company were honored by the presence of Mr. H., the remainder of the afternoon was spent in the extensive grounds, and in listening to music from some of the guests.

“ The day passed but too quickly, and all felt that such opportunities for social intercourse should be more frequent, as they cannot fail of giving a great stimulus to the work. Especially was Miss Kirkby remembered, who once a member of the Band, had left for her missionary life in China.

A lady from Kentucky writes :

“ I met a few weeks ago a lady at a Missionary Convention, who is one of the most earnest persons in the interests of Foreign Missions I have seen. She thought one reason why so little was done for Foreign Missions was, that people knew so little about the great necessity for earnest work in the cause, and that we need education in order to make it a success.

“ For this reason it was well to begin with the children. Following her example, I with other ladies have started a similar society at my house every week. We read letters, essays, extracts or anything of interest. We have about thirty-six members, and I think our meetings are quite interesting. Our subject for the present month is India.”

From a Sunday School in Southport, Conn., a beautiful box of dolls was received to be sent to India for the Christmas tree. One of the friends writes :

“ Many of the articles have been contributed and half of the dolls dressed by persons not in the Sunday School, but I thought it best the acknowledgment from Miss Hook should be made to the Sunday School primarily, as we desire to create a missionary spirit among the scholars. At our house we feel quite lost without the dolls. My little four-year-old boy has kissed many of them, indeed he almost took the color off Dianah’s nose, and has given them names. I was compelled to call the “lellow” (yellow) and red one Maria, although I did not admire the name.

“ The domestics in several families have devoted their spare moments and taste to the attiring of these young damsels for their new homes in India. The small balls were knit by a little girl of eight years.”

# Mission-Band Department.

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## Good Tidings

FROM THE ORPHANS IN INDIA.

WE have passed the examination held in our Orphanage, and as one of the Professors from the Sanscrit College conducted one part of it, I feel that it was very creditable to us. Helen Neff, who gained 89 marks, and Mary Dwight 84, passed the examination prescribed for the Normal Class. My dear Shukie too has been successful, and her marks stood 87. Helen goes to Allahabad to take Bertha's place, who has come here sick.

Romanie is a fine tall girl now, with a bright, intelligent face. I wish you could see her and converse with her, for she knows enough English to make herself understood in that language. Romanie has a brother named Gobindo, about twelve years of age, who has gone to Dr. Phillips' Orphanage near Midnapore. Romanie's letters to her brother are always full of advice; you would think a grandmother instead of a sister wrote them. Still it is very cheering to find that she has so much quiet, good sense. In the box of clothes Gobindo took away with him, there was a nice suit given him by his sister, and purchased entirely with the money she earns as book-monitress and class-room keeper. She is a thoroughly unselfish girl, much more ready to care for others than for herself. I have known her to let a school-fellow wear her own new clothes while she herself put on the old ones. Of course these are trifles, but as "straws show

which way the wind blows," so these small matters show somewhat of the character of this young girl.

If you could see a new arrival the first day of her coming here, when she is brought by the police and committed to my care, I feel sure your hearts would ache at sight of the pitiful object. Sometimes these children are clothed in filthy rags, that flutter around them like a fringe; at others there will be no pretence of clothing whatever, simply a dirty piece of twine, with either a shell or a key attached to it, tied around the waist. I took the last arrival just as she came to the work room, and let all the others see her; then I told them to compare her present condition with theirs, and feel how much reason they have to be thankful to God for having rescued them from want and misery. I think this had a good effect on them, and led to much heart searching.

Charlotte is a thin, wiry little creature; whom nothing seems to fatten. She is very active; her limbs are very supple, and she is always ready for a merry game. You will see by this that sickness has nothing whatever to do with her spare figure. Charlotte has not got on in her studies as well as I should have wished, but the crooked Bengali letters have all been learned, and the somewhat more crooked Bengali spelling is being waded through. One of the girls, to please me, as she thought, has been writing all her companions' names in English. The spelling was very original, and if I did not know Bengali I should never have guessed what Solet meant, which stood there for Charlotte, just as the girls are fond of pronouncing her name.

Little Sadie has grown a great girl, and though she has lost some of her good looks, as she has grown tall and thin, she is immediately recognized by her large, luminous dark eyes, and a certain resemblance to some old paintings of Little Red Riding Hood. She has been

sick of late, and I suppose that has helped to alter her somewhat in face and figure, though she is just as full of fun and frolic as ever. Sadie is getting on in school, says her lessons well, and takes pains. She is very quick to learn ; her only fault is that she is at times somewhat lazy, a trouble inherent in Bengali natures, and one of the greatest obstacles the missionary has to contend with.

She is very deliberate in her movements, and has such a demure look, especially when any visitors are going over the school, I feel quite amused at her sometimes,

I have not seen Caroline since her marriage, but I hear she is very happy, and her husband is much attached to her. She has a baby daughter, who is the pet and plaything of the house. Their village home is a little distance from here. We have short scraps of notes and loving messages from her now and then, as some native preacher or catechist pays a visit to Calcutta.

It seems as if this land were about to be dissolved with fervent heat, the weather is so very oppressive just now, and the rays of the sun are scorching till about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Still I am thankful to say there is very little sickness in the Orphanage to-day, and my children are all lively and running about during play hours without a single thought of the hot sun. The Orphanage is being partly repaired, and we have to keep moving on from room to room to admit the workmen. The whole place looks as if it had stood a siege—what with broken bricks, loose bamboos, ropes and bamboo ladders, all littering up the front yard. When order comes out of this chaos, I make bold to say there won't be a prettier place in Calcutta than the Orphanage. The little nursery children are delighted, as the present state of affairs affords them all sorts of facilities for making mud pies, playing

see-saw, hide and seek, etc. And you should see me, their distracted "mother," as I pick them out of the mud.

MRS. A. S. PAGE.

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## The Broken Jars.

"Teacher, teacher! will you give me a penny for another jar?" cried a little Hindu girl between her sobs to a missionary lady one morning.

It was in India. The lady was just entering the yard in which stood the school house, a few acacia trees and some rose bushes in full bloom. Twenty brown faced, bright eyed girls were playing there. But at sight of their teacher all play ceased and touching their foreheads with the right hand as a sign of welcome, they ran before her into the low building made of sun burnt bricks which served as a school room. Here, seated upon the floor, they waited until school should open with a lesson from the New Testament.

But the lady did not open the good book this morning. She came slowly in leading the weeping Tara.

In the corners of the bare, cheerless room, stood black stone jars filled with water. In a third, the pieces of a broken jar were scattered around, which when the little girl saw she wept afresh.

"Tara," said the teacher, "is this your jar, who has broken it?"

"I smashed it myself," sobbed the child. "You did it yourself purposely and yet you cry!" said the lady with wonder. "Shantee touched it with her hand and made it unclean, so I did as our holy books tell us to do, I broke it. Oh, teacher, will you give me a penny to buy another?" and Tara looked up through her shining tears.

"Poor little girl" said the teacher, smoothing the long tangled hair, "obedience to such commands does not bring happiness. My child, does your 'book' tell who made the world and the people?"

“Yes,” said Tara, “one God whose name is Brahma made the world and all the people in it. He made the people from his own body. From his head he made wise men, and from his arms and shoulders strong men, like soldiers and kings; merchants and others he made from his loins, but poor men and servants came from the feet of Brahma.” “And from which part were you, do you suppose Tara?”

“My father is high up, he is a merchant, but Shantee’s father is a servant, so when she touched my jar it was polluted—my nice new jar—and now it is broken—oh, dear!” Her little heart was aching with real sorrow, not that she had broken the jar, for that she thought right, but because it had been made “unclean” as she termed it.

“Sit down Tara,” said her teacher, “and when you are quiet we will talk.”

In obedience she turned away, but half blinded with tears, she fell over a rude bench that served as a table. It gave way and she was thrown to the floor, when striving to disentangle herself from the broken bench and torn frock she incautiously caught hold of one of the remaining jars. Instantly a girl of twelve or fourteen years started up with words of abuse falling thick and fast from her lips, and before any one could prevent had dashed the jar to a hundred fragments upon the ground. Slowly streamed the water over the coarse mud floor, which drank it up as parched earth drinks the rain, but quickly flowed the tears from the eyes of the excited girl.

“Tara, Tara,” she screamed, “thou daughter of a merchant, why has thou touched my jar?”

Many bitter words would have been spoken by the two girls but the teacher bade all be silent. It was then explained that the oldest girl was of “high caste” and none of her inferiors might so much as lay hand upon, much less drink from the jar she called *hers*. As the low caste Shantee had broken this rule of caste in regard to Tara’s jar, so in the same way had Tara offended the high caste Saluse.

It is too true that in India all the people are divided into separate classes or castes that never intermarry, never eat nor



drink together, nor may they ever *touch* the vessels belonging to one another. Should a vessel be touched by a low caste person it must be purified by fire if it is of brass or copper, but if only cheap earthenware, like these penny jars they must be broken in pieces.

Three different castes were represented in this mission school. They were all Hindus and strict in obeying the commands of their so-called "holy book." The missionary teacher could not forbid this, for they would have left school had their idolatry been interfered with. So easily are these little things brought to fear the breaking of caste, that Tara declared she "would rather die than drink from Shantee's jar," which, of course, would not have been true had death been really at hand.

A few days previous the girls had asked for a few pennies to buy water jars. Willingly the request was granted, for in that hot country the little ones wish often for a cup of cold water. There were no wells near. All the water was brought from a river that flowed by at a distance from the school, but too far for little feet to travel in the burning sun, so it was well that fresh water should be kept in the school-room. Accordingly these jars were purchased, and this was the first day of their use. Half an hour before three of the girls might have been seen coming from the river side, the jars poised easily on their heads, while they sang the new hymn their teacher had taught them.

Now, two of the jars were broken. That one belonging to the lowest caste alone remained. No fear of anyone polluting *their* jars.

Here was the beginning of trouble to the new teacher. Caste, that fatal obstacle to all good, to all progress in India, met her on the threshold. What should she do? Knowing the power of music, she said quietly to her troubled school, "Let us sing our new hymn."

Clearly, sweetly and in unison rose the words, "Let us love one another." Then she read how God made of one blood all nations; how Christ came, the Prince of Peace and God of Love, and the noisy lips were still while in a few words she asked

that peace and love might be given to them. Although none of the young hearts were converted, yet there stole over them a sudden quiet, and when asked, "Who shall have the remaining jar?" for it was still unused, the generous Tara said, "There is no one else like me, I will drink at home before I come," and the angry high caste, forgetting her pride, added, "And there is no one like me. I am big; I will go to the river; let the 'out-castes' have it." And thus the last were first. The twenty girls of inferior caste drank from one jar; and though the caste of each remained unbroken, the school became a house of peace, for they loved one another, and to-day the broken jars are forgotten.

But from this anecdote may be seen how strong is the influence of caste, even among children. It is directly opposite to the spirit of Christ, yet it prevails everywhere in heathen India. How thankful ought all the little readers of this story to be that their home is not *there!* How grateful to the dear Father for life in a land where the love of Christ is known. But take care, little ones, that you do not cultivate the *caste spirit* even here. Saint Paul says, "In lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than themselves." This rule is given to children as well as to older people. So when Pride whispers, "You are prettier or richer than your mates," turn away and hearken to that better voice which is sweetly saying, "My little children, love one another." B. C. BURROWS.

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## Ramble at the Seashore in Japan.

One day I took all the children left on the place on a picnic about five miles down the bay. We were to start at five in the morning and return at eight or nine in the evening, to avoid the heat, and for this time we engaged a boat, with three Coolies to propel it, for one dollar. The boat, a flat-bottomed, odd looking craft, without painted seats, or any such superfluous luxury, was nevertheless safe and dry, and seated down on the bottom, twenty of us altogether, we made ourselves comfortable and happy.

I had told one of the Coolies, who does the roughest work on the place, that I wished him to go with me to carry the provisions, take care of the bathing clothes, cook the rice, and be our man Friday generally. What was my surprise when he presented himself in the morning dressed in hat, shoes, white pants, shirt, coat, watch and chain, and a little walking stick in his hand, so changing his appearance that I thought we might pass for master and servant. I consoled myself, however, with the thought of what a comfort it was to him to be so dressed up, even for a day, and wondered how he would manage his unwonted grandeur when carrying the baskets through the hot sun. But when we reached the place, and had all been carried on the Coolies' backs from the boat to the shore, and I had selected a place to stop, I sent him for the things, and my mind was at rest when I saw him deliberately walking back with an umbrella over his head, his cane in his hand, and two Coolies following with the baskets.\* However, he soon doffed all except one garment, and set himself to work cooking rice and preparing the children's dinner, and not long after I saw his last garment hanging in a tree and he plunging in the water.

And what a day of pleasure that was for my children! I had told them it was to be *their* day, I was only to go along. They were to do just as they pleased, and I soon learned that what pleased them best was to be in the water, where they spent most of the day.

MRS. VIELE.

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NEW MISSION BAND.

"Little Stars," Georgetown, Texas, Miss Jennie Gail.

"Oakland Zenana Band," Chicago, Ill., per Mrs. W. M. Sage.

**NEW LIFE MEMBERS.**

Miss Lydia Bennett, by "Fairton Union Mission Band," Fairton, N. J.

Miss Mary N. Meade, by Miss E. S. Coles, Scotch Plains, N. J.

Mrs. Judd, by Band "Willing Workers," Port Henry, N. Y.

Miss Harriet E. Beard, by Ladies' Missionary Society of South Norwalk, Ct.

Miss M. Etta Beardslee, by Band "Nimble Fingers," Millstone, N. Y.

Mrs. George Gill, by "Sarah Weed Band," Columbus, Ohio.

Miss E. A. Wales, by Mrs. Wm. Wales, Boston, Mass.

Mrs. W. A. Fuller, by a friend, Plattsburg, N. Y.

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MISSION BOXES.

A doll, dressed by a little girl in Flushing, N. Y., in response to Miss Hook's appeal.

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\* This matter of under servants is carried to a great extent in Japan. My own faithful house woman receives for her services five dollars per month, out of which she boards herself, and pays and boards her own servant.

## RECEIPTS FOR DECEMBER, 1879, AND JANUARY, 1880.

RECEIPTS of *Woman's Union Missionary Society*, from  
*Nov. 24th to Dec. 31st, 1879.*

MAINE.		
Bangor, Mrs. Mary Upham Coe.	\$5 00	
MASSACHUSETTS.		
Boston, Boston Branch, Mrs. Henry Johnson, Treas. (See items below.)	174 00	
Mrs. Louisa J. Brown, 3; Mrs. H. B. Hooker, 2.	5 00	
Haverhill, Haverhill Zenana Society, Miss Mary S. Hosford, Treas., for Bible Readers in Calcutta, 106; for Miss Ward's new work, 70; and for Life Membership of Miss E. C. Ames, Miss M. C. Loud, and Miss Lucy H. Brown,	176 00	
	<u>\$355 00</u>	
RHODE ISLAND.		
Providence, Providence Aux. Miss Mary S. Stockbridge, Treas. (Items in Annual Report.)	\$221 15	
CONNECTICUT.		
Hamburg, "Hamburg Band," Mrs. Thomas Brockway, per Mrs. Z. S. Ely,	15 51	
New Britain, Mrs. Wm. H. Smith	2 00	
New Haven, Mrs. Russell Hotchkiss, donation and "Link,"	5 00	
	<u>\$22 51</u>	
NEW YORK.		
Albany, Albany Branch, Mrs. F. Townsend, Treas. (See items below.)	306 35	
Miss D. M. Douw, Peking China, through Mr. Walsh, for repayment of salary received,	500 00	
Miss E. L. Hill, donation and "Link,"	2 00	
Batavia, Mrs. E. Taggart, for "Katie Fisher," Midnapore,	26 50	
Bingham's Mills, Mrs. Susan A. Davis, donation and "Link,"	20 00	
Brooklyn, Mrs. R. W. Turrell, towards purchase of a piano, for Miss Ward,	43 00	
Miss M. A. Gardiner and Mrs. Lane, annual donation,	5 00	
Mrs. H. Audley Clarke,	5 00	
Miss E. W. Beers, from Mrs. James H. Taft, 5; Miss E. W. Beers, 5; Christmas gift, 3,	13 00	
Catskill, Zenana Mission, Mrs. G. W. Warner, Treas.,	202 65	
Ithaca, Ladies of Ithaca, per Miss Jane L. Hardy, Presb. Church, 64.51; "Spring Violets," for "Lizzie Smith," 20; Miss Ellen Ried, for Miss Ward, 10; "Links," 1.80,	96 31	
New York, Miss L. P. Halsted annual subscription,	10 00	
Through Mrs. J. D. Herr, Mrs. H. S. Day, 2; Mrs. M. S. Baldwin, 1; Mrs. J. P. Townsend, 1; M. Lillian Herr, part of proceeds of parlor fair, 2,	6 00	
Miss Annie Boorman, 20; Miss M. Boorman, 5; Miss L. Boorman, 10; Mrs. C. R. Strong, 5; per Miss Laura Boorman,	40 00	
Miss Mary Crosby, for "Machi Ichiguro," Japan,	50 00	
Miss S. B. Hills, annual subscription,	10 00	
Found in room 41,	06	
Port Henry, Ladies' Missionary Society, Mrs. R. J. Wait, Treas., for Miss Ward's work,	18 75	
Southampton, L. I., a Christmas gift from a friend,	5 00	
Syracuse, Mrs. A. B. Hibbard, to complete Life Membership,	30 00	
Tarrytown, Tarrytown Aux., Mrs. Charles Brombacher, Treas.,	16 50	
Whitesboro, "Gardner Mission Band," per Miss H. A. Frost,	23 00	
	<u>\$1429 12</u>	
NEW JERSEY.		
Cranford, "Excelsior Mission Band," Mrs. Alex. Stewart, Treas.,	20 00	
Fairton, "Fairton Union Band," per Mrs. M. J. Sheppard to complete Life Membership of Miss LYDIA BENNETT, and for Bible Reader in India, 25;		
"Links and postage, 1.02,	26 02	
Franklinville, Woman's Union Missionary Society, Miss Mattie L. Wilson, Treas., for pupil in Athens,	20 25	
Hackensack, "Chase Band," per Mrs. Williams, for work in India	20 00	
Metuchen, Metuchen Aux., Reformed Church, Miss Fanny A. Wendover, Treas., for Miss Ward's new work,	11 00	
Morristown, "Harriet G. Brittan Band," collected by Mrs. Geo. W. Colles and Mrs. E. F. Randolph. (See list below.)	93 95	

Newark, Newark Aux., Mrs. Dr. E. D. G. Smith, Treas., Calvary Church, by Mrs. Anna M. Pierson, for Bible Reader, 48; Calvary Church Mission Bands, "Gleaners" and "Sister Ada," by Mrs. Dorrance, for support of "Addie B. Condict," Calcutta, 50; "Links," 3.60,	101 60
Miss Gore's mite collection through Persis Band,	50
Mrs. Oehme for "Waka," in Japan, 40; H. H. McCullough, Esq., for child in Japan in memoriam of his wife, "Harriet Amelia Justice," 40,	80 00
New Brunswick, New Brunswick Aux., Miss M. A. Campbell, Sec., of which for "Masa I-to," in Japan," 12.50; (list in Report.)	163 31
Orange, S. S. of 2d Presb. Church, Orange, for "Mary Dwight,"	30 00
Princeton, Princeton Branch, Miss Ellen L. A. Brown, Treas. (List in Report.)	127 32
Scotch Plains, Miss E. S. Coles, for "Tokeklay," in Maulmain and for Life Membership of Miss MARY N. MEAD,	68 18
Summit, Collection of Band, "Memorial of Two Shining Lights," per Mrs. H. L. Pierson, Mrs. Julia Smith, 2; Miss Mary N. Martin, 1; Mrs. Dorkman, 1; Mrs. Edward Williams, 2; Mrs. George Campbell, 1; Mrs. Carlos Bardwell, 5; Mrs. Thomas Pott, 1; Mrs. Grant, 1; Miss Gertrude Pott, 1; Mrs. A. F. Libby, 5; Mrs. Elliot M. Sergeant, 1; Mrs. Stephen Conger, 2.50; Mrs. W. H. Risk, 3; Mrs. George W. Allen, 10; Mrs. John P. Allen, 2; Miss Kirkpatrick, 5; Mrs. William Flagg, 1; Mrs. P. H. Vernon, 5; Mrs. H. L. Pierson, Jr., 20.	69 50
	<u>\$831 63</u>

PENNSYLVANIA.

Easton, Miss Emma F. Randolph, 5; Mrs. Edward J. Fox, 5; for Japan Home, "Link," 75;	10 75
Medea, Miss Steele,	1 00
Pittsburg, Pittsburg Branch, Mrs. M. H. Moorhead, Treas. (List in Report.)	332 21
	<u>\$343 96</u>

DELAWARE.

Middletown, contributed by ladies of Forest Presb. Church, per Mrs. Patton. (See list below.)	50 00
New Castle, Miss N. J. Stockton, annual sub'n and "Link."	1 60
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Baltimore, Baltimore Branch, Mrs. Alex. Carter, Treas., from Band "Ministering Children," for "Minnie King," Japan, 60; "Jennie Norris Band," and Mrs. Onderdonk's Sunday School, for "Jennie Norris," Japan, 60; for Miss Harris, 484 13; leaflets, 75c.	604 88
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SALES OF PUBLICATIONS.

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Leaflets,	6 88

Illustrated Weekly, . . . . .	64	Total received from Nov. 24 to	
Postage, . . . . .	10	Dec. 31, 1879, . . . . .	\$5,036 17
	<u>\$41 62</u>		
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 ker, . . . . . 5 00  
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 Christian Weekly, . . . . . 1 25

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 chester, through Mrs. T. D. Quincy,  
 12; "Link," 60, . . . . . 12 60

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